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Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—Sums less than \$1. or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- 3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 4.—Interest at the rate of 3 1/2 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, September 1, 1887. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, £7,500,000
Reserve Fund, £3,000,000
Reserve Liability of Pro., £7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—G. D. BOTTOMLEY, Esq.
Messrs. Chairman—Hon. J. BELL IRVING,
W. H. E. DUNN, Esq.; Hon. A. P. McLEOD,
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.; J. C. MICHENER,
Esq.; Hon. J. S. MOSES, Esq.;
H. HOFFMANN, Esq.; Hon. F. D. SASSON.

Chief Manager.
Hongkong, September 20, 1887. 363
Shanghai, Ewan Cameron, Esq.
London Bankers, London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
(N) Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, September 20, 1887. 363

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are Sole Agents for Hongkong for the Sale of
THE MONTERRAT LIME JUICE
AND
THE MONTERRAT LIME JUICE
CORDIALS.
A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, May 3, 1887. 664

THE PUNJUM AND SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that ALL CALLS on the SHARES of the Company due on the 3rd June, 1887, together with INTEREST thereon remaining unpaid, are Required to be PAID forthwith. And further, that if all such Calls be not Paid on or before the 31st October instant, the Directors will proceed to FORFEIT the SHARES in respect of which such Calls are due, in pursuance of the Articles of Association of the Company.
Dated this 4th October, 1887.
A. O'D. GOURDIN,
Secretary.

Intimations.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

THE Annual General MEETING of the CORPS will be held at the Head Quarters, on TUESDAY, the 26th Instant, at 6.30 p.m. No Uniform.

By Order.

Hongkong, October 21, 1887. 2042

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1886.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the DISTRIBUTION of the PROFITS reserved for Contributions may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the Thirtieth day of November next, will be adjusted by the Company, and Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited.
Hongkong, October 15, 1887. 2010

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourteenth Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 27th Instant, at Half-past Three o'clock, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year 1886, and for the half-year ending 30th June, 1887.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 27th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, October 11, 1887. 1982

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP. MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,

Surgeon Dentist.

(FORMERLY ARTICLED APPRENTICE AND LATER ASSISTANT TO DR. ROBERTS.)
At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROBERTS.

No. 2, DUNDRELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Discount to missionaries and families.

Sole Address

2, DUNDRELL STREET,
(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)
Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 66

ROBES ET CONFECTIONS.

FRENCH DRESS-MAKER.

MRS. C. HEYMANS,

35, WELLINGTON STREET,
HONGKONG.

THE ONLY FRENCH DRESS-MAKER IN HONGKONG.

DIPLOMA IN PARIS IN 1884.

Hongkong, October 1, 1887. 1925

HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

OFFICE, No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD.

FIRE BRICKS OF SUPERIOR QUALITY FOR SALE.

PRICE, \$30 PER 1,000.

The following Testimonial has been received from F. W. CROSS, Esq., Manager, HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED:

"I have herewith much pleasure in testifying to the quality of the FIRE BRICKS as made by you at your new works."

"In appearance the Brick is light and soft as compared with the ordinary Fire Brick used in the Colony, but this I may say is characteristic of the best English Fire Brick."

"After a very severe test I have no hesitation in saying that this Brick is admirably suited to resist any degree of heat that it may be likely to undergo and for all purposes that Fire Bricks are used for."

"I am now about to build them into one of my Furnaces and have no doubt of their being able to stand as well as the English Fire Bricks I have been using."

Hongkong, May 29, 1887. 981

NOTICE.

HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY'S JUBILEE.

IT having been decided to CELEBRATE HER MAJESTY'S JUBILEE on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 9th and 10th November, all Messrs. of the COMPANY are invited to Co-operate with the JUBILEE COMMITTEE by ILLUMINATING their WINDOWS and PRIVATE RESIDENCES.

By Order,

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Honorary Secretary.
Hongkong, September 15, 1887. 1708

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Outfitting Department.

THE NEW AUTUMN AND WINTER STOCK,

including—

ANGLO-INDIA GAUZE HOSIERY. AMERICAN CABIN TRUNKS.

BOOTS for Evening, Walking and Shooting. BRACES in Silk, Cotton, Elastic and Buckram. BOATING SCARVES and JERSEYS, Bath GOWNS and WRAPPERS, BELTS.

COLLARS in New Shapes, Cricketer's SHOES, BELTS and CAPS, Cardigan JACKETS and VESTS, Cholera BELTS, CRAVATS.

DRESSING GOWNS, Driving GLOVES, Dressing BAGS.

EVENING TIES, SHOES, SHIRTS and SOCKS in the Latest Styles, Evening GLOVES, Elastic BELTS and BRACES.

FOLDING SCARVES, FANCY OUT SHIRTS, Foot-ball JERSEYS and CAPS, Fancy TIES in Newest Shapes and Colourings.

GARTERS, Gladstone BAGS, Gauze SHIRTS and HOSIERY, GLOVES.

HATS (New Winter Shapes). HATS in Felt, Cloth, Pith and Straw; HANDKERCHIEFS, HALF-HOSE and HOSIERY of all kinds.

INDIA GAUZE UNDERCLOTHING, India-Rubber CUSHIONS, PILLOWS, &c.

JERSEYS for Tennis, Rowing and Foot-ball; JACKETS (Cardigan).

KNITTED STOCKINGS, VESTS, GLOVES and SCARVES.

LANE Thread HOSIERY, Llama and Lamb's Wool HOSIERY.

MERINO SHIRTS, PANTS and HALF-HOSE; MAUDS, MUFFLERS, Military GLOVES.

NATURAL Wool Sanitary UNDERCLOTHING, NOVELTIES.

OXFORD SHIRTS made to order, OXFORD SCARVES.

PIN SCARFS, PITH HATS, PORTMANTEAUS, PUGGORIES, PANTS.

ROWING Running SUNDRIES of all kinds, Rain COATS, RUGS, Rug STRAPS.

SHIRTS in various kinds and Qualities, Ready-made or to measure; SHOES of all kinds, Shooting STOCKINGS and SUNDRIES, Sun HATS, SWEATERS, Silk HOSIERY, SCARVES, Silk LACES.

TENNIS SHIRTS, JERSEYS, SHOES, SCARVES, HATS, &c.; Tweed Travelling CAPS, Travelling RUGS, TOWELS, TIES.

UMBRELLAS with Patent Frames, UMBRELLAS Recovered and Repaired, UNDERCLOTHING of every Description; Uniform CASES, Uniform TIES, COLLARS and GLOVES.

VALISES, VESTS, Ventilated HATS, Ventilated Rain COATS.

WASHING TIES and SCARVES, Waterproof SHEETS and Chair APRONS, Waist SCARVES, Washing SILK.

YACHTING CAPS and Blue Knitted JERSEYS.

ZEPHYR-felt HATS, Zephyr SHIRTS, &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, October 12, 1887.

W. POWELL & Co.

EX GLEN GARRY.

FIRST DELIVERIES OF

AUTUMN AND WINTER DRESS MATERIALS,

Prices from 15 Cents per Yard.

A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF

CHEAP BALL DRESS MATERIALS.

W. POWELL & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, September 29, 1887.

(TELEPHONE 21). 1907

ROBERT LANG & Co.,

Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,

QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

NEW HATS

BLACK, DRAB, AND BROWN, HARD AND

SOFT FELT HATS,

in a variety of New Shapes.

DRAB and GREY SINGLE and DOUBLE

TERAI HATS.

STRAW HATS,

MILITARY and FELT HELMETS, and

TWEED HATS and CAPS in Stock and made to order.

Hongkong, October 8, 1887. 1964

STAG HOTEL,

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

J. COOK, Proprietor.

THE HOTEL is centrally situated and within a few minutes' walk from

THE PRINCIPAL LANDING PLACES.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS.

CHARGES MODERATE.

TIFFIN at 1 o'clock. DINNER at 7.30.

WELL VENTILATED BILLIARD ROOM.

TIFFIN 50 CENTS. DINNER 75 CENTS.

Wines, Spirits and Malt Liquors of the VERY BEST QUALITY ONLY.

Hongkong, April 1, 1887. 607

Victoria Hotel,

Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large Dining Hall.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, Reading, BILLIARD and SMOKING ROOMS.

The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.

Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1612

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1488

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Sixth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned at 12 o'clock (noon) on SATURDAY, the 29th October instant.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 29th Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
Hongkong, October 8, 1887. 1968

NOTICE.

WINE MERCHANT, SHANGHAI.

Agents:

NORTHON & Co.,
MARINE HOUSE, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, October 1, 1887. 1918

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Out-of-Clothing, Books, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 26, 1887.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS; for sale use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office. Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

Prospectus.

TRITON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Oulesta under the Indian Companies' Act of 1882. Limiting the Liability of Shareholders to the Amount of their Shares.)

DATE OF FORMATION as an UNLIMITED PARTNERSHIP, A.D. 1880.

NOMINAL CAPITAL, Rs. 25,00,000.

First Issue 18,000 Shares of Rs. 100.

Rs. 25 being paid-up, viz:—

Rs. 5 on Application, and Rs. 20 on Allotment.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES will be received in Calcutta and London, and at the Branch Agencies of the Old Company.

Consulting Committee:

E. S. GUBRAY, Esq., 1 Messrs. ELIAS

S. GUBRAY & Co.,

J. E. D. EZRA, Esq., of Messrs. E. D. J.

Ezra & Co.,

L. A. LYALL, Esq., of Messrs. LYALL,

MARSHALL & Co.,

H. M. RUSTON, Esq.,

Sir A. WILSON, of Messrs. JARDINE,

SKINNER & Co. (Chairman).

General Agents:

Messrs. JARDINE, SKINNER & Co.,

Calcutta.

PROSPECTUS can be seen, and Application Form for Shares obtained of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, September 29, 1887. 1910

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

MR. RATANJI SORABJI TALATI will sign the Name of our Firm from this date.

E. N. MEHTA & Co.,
Hongkong, October 1, 1887. 1919

Notices to Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. Kaituma, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Shanghai Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned, before Noon on the 24th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 24th Instant will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. To-day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 19, 1887. 2029

NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM SOERABAYA, SAMARANG, BATAVIA, SINGAPORE AND SAIGON.

THE Company's S.S. Bantam, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Shanghai Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 24th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 17, 1887. 2014

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE CHINA MAIL

To-day's Advertisements.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI & SWATOW.

(Trading Cargo & Passengers at through rates for SHANGHAI, SWATOW, NEW-CHANG, HANKOW and Peking on the YANGTZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship *Leopold*, Captain *Reuter*, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, October 22, 1887. 251

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Fokien*, Captain *Reuter*, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, October 22, 1887. 2052

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship *Diamond*, Captain *Reuter*, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at 4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, October 22, 1887. 2030

FOR YOKOHAMA (DIRECT).

The Steamship *Albatross*, Captain *Reuter*, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 22, 1887. 2055

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN, and taking cargo to NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

The Steamship *Tamara*, Captain *Reuter*, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 31st inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 22, 1887. 2053

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking cargo to NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

The Steamship *Guthrie*, Captain *Reuter*, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 26th inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 22, 1887. 2054

THE CHINA & JAPAN TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

4, CLUB CHAMBERS.

WANTED for the above Company, TWO or THREE ROOMS, centrally situated, as a Small GODOWN, or STORE-ROOM for Material.

HAROLD DAWSON, Agent.

Hongkong, October 22, 1887. 2056

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

October 21, 1887.—*Ingraham*, German steamer, 834, M. Rago, Penang October 8, Singapore 11, and Hobart 20, Sugar and General.—BUN HIN CHAI.

Oxfordshire, British steamer, 998, C. P. Jones, Saigon, October 16, Rangoon—RUSSELL & Co.

October 22.—*Feibing*, British steamer, from Whampoa.

Raydon Dixon, Norwegian steamer, 1,182, J. Johansen, Kuching, October 17, Coals.—MORSE DOSSAT KAHN.

Glenquarry, British steamer, 1,936, Taylor, Swatow October 21, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Asia, British ship, 1,308, T. R. Anderson, Shanghai October 19, part general to finish here for New York.—ARNOLD, KARBON & Co.

Whampoa, British steamer, 1,009, Geo. Fawcett, Wellington, N.Z., September 30, Coals and General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Glenquarry, British steamer, 1,383, Hannah, Shanghai October 16, via Poochow, Amoy and Swatow 22, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Fokien, British steamer, 809, J. S. Bosch, Tamsui, October 19, Amoy 20, and Swatow 21, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Namata, British steamer, 803, J. Black,

burno, Swatow October 21, Rangoon—HONG HONG.

Empress, British steamer, 236, Wm. H. Allan, Newchwang October 8, Swatow—WILSON & Co.

Pembroke, British steamer, 1,486, D. Williams, London and Singapore October 10, General.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Athene, German steamer, 400, S. Samuelson, Pakhoi October 17, Hallow 19, and Macao 22, General.—WILSON & Co.

Velo, German steamer, 836, M. Kallion, Newchwang October 15, General.—EDWARD SCHILLHANS & Co.

DEPARTURES.

October 22.—*McNair*, for New York.

Frederic, for Haiphong.

Chuan Hsi & *Kien*, for Amoy.

Forwards, for Haiphong.

Siam, for Bangkok.

Glenquarry, for Singapore and London.

Serpent, for Singapore and London.

Bantam, for Amoy.

Norden, for Kutchin.

Independent, for Hallow.

Napier, for Coast Ports.

Forwards, for Singapore and Hamburg.

Tsinau, for Singapore and Sydney.

Feibing, for Tientsin.

Ing, for Swatow.

Kong Beng, for Swatow Bangkok.

Tanlin, for Singapore and Yokohama.

Namata, for Singapore.

Dumb, for Haiphong.

Eidreid, for Whampoa.

Per Ingraham, from Penang, 57 Chinese.

Per Ojvind, from Saigon, 83 Chinese.

Per Glenquarry, from Swatow, Messrs Bushby and C. S. Barff, and 781 Chinese.

Per Whampoa, from Whampoa, N.Z., Messrs Bushby and C. S. Barff, and 781 Chinese.

Per Siam, from Bangkok, 130 Chinese.

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SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Glenquarry* reports: Had strong winds and fine weather.

The British ship *Leopold* reports: Owing to Easterly winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Empress* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Asia* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Whampoa* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Feibing* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Glenquarry* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Serpent* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Bantam* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Norden* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Independent* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Napier* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Forwards* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Tsinau* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Feibing* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Ing* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Kong Beng* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Tanlin* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Namata* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

The British ship *Dumb* reports: Had strong winds and low current could not get away from the mouth of the Yangtze.

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We grumble about accidents to our ironclads and dread our naval constructors incompetent; what then must be thought of the designers of the American 'Atlanta' armed with two 8 in. and two 6 in. guns, she at the first round became disabled; gun-carriages destroyed by the recoil; the primary action of the gun deck splintered; an expensive but soothed, valuable experiment on the 'trial by error' principle.—J. G. & P. Engineer and Builder.

The particulars of the competition connected with the proposed Canton Free Library, afford another instance of the way in which common sense is commended in such matters. The architect will not be required to superintend the erection of the building; £2000 will be paid to him as full compensation for the drawings and specifications; the building is not to cost more than £25,000; and the architect is to accompany the drawings.—J. G. & P. Engineer and Builder.

The Foochow Echo says:—We have lately noticed a number of new Opium dens springing up about the place. We are told that this is the result of the new position of Hui-kwan and Loke-tai on opium, which gives greater security to the retailer, as he cannot now be pointed out by runners, and accused of smuggling the drug, the bare accusation only to be stoned for by a good round squoze. We are making enquiries, and hope to inform our readers in an early issue of the number of new shops opened.

The Power of England.—All the Vienna newspapers publish detailed and sympathetic reports of the cordial reception accorded to the British fleet at Trieste. The *New York Herald*, the leading Liberal journal in America, says:—It is now the fashion to speak of England's decadence, but, in spite of all that may be adduced in support of this pessimist view, the fact remains that Great Britain's moral and physical power has not its equal in the world, and can only be compared with the greatness of ancient Rome.

The Whitehall Review remarks:—There would appear to be a lack of aspirants to such comfortable and easy-going appointments as aides-de-camp to colonial governors. Thus the present Governors of South Australia, Western Australia, Tasmania, Barbados, Trinidad, Bahamas, British Guiana, Newfoundland, Natal, Mauritius, Hong Kong, and the leading Liberal journal in America, says:—It is now the fashion to speak of England's decadence, but, in spite of all that may be adduced in support of this pessimist view, the fact remains that Great Britain's moral and physical power has not its equal in the world, and can only be compared with the greatness of ancient Rome.

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The Foochow Echo says:—By circular on the 12th instant the public notice is given that telegraphic communication was established with Formosa. At present the only ports in Formosa in connection are Tamsui, Taipei and Keelung; but with the extension of the land lines to the South in due course, our friends in Taiwan will be in telegraphic communication with the other world. The distance from Shanghai to Tamsui is about 111 miles. We understand the steamer *Tei-Chue*, as well as the cable, was procured by Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. for the Provincial Government of Formosa, but she has not yet changed flag.

FRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR.

That the last words at Government House were better managed than the former one, although even yet some improvements might be made in the arrangements. That I understand the omission of several names from your published list has been the means of bringing out certain phases of individual character quite new to Hongkong society. That I have heard it suggested that a shelter for the Guard of Honour and the Regimental Band, from the sun and rain, might form part of the permanent fittings of Government House.

That the sons of Saint Andrew displayed sound judgment in deciding not to have a Ball this year. That although the Ladies are doubtless disappointed, a Paterfamilias probably breathes more freely, and the Fair ones will no doubt receive ample consolation next year. That as our friends from the North have resolved to celebrate their Saint's day by a concert, those of us who hail from further South, and have so often enjoyed their hospitality, wish them every success in their new enterprise.

That there is, I believe, a goodly amount of latent talent and activity, and it is to be hoped that a good sprinkling of Scotia's fair daughters will delight us with their 'liting'. That I hope you will pardon me if I have said the wrong expression here, but I fancy you will find it in the works of Robert Burns. That one of the jokes arising out of the proposed Scotch Concert is that of introducing National Tartan into the programme, but that no one can be found fit to represent Rob Roy or the Dugal Cratur, though there are many aspirants. That it would be a good thing if the Englishmen here were to organise and form a St. George's Society—on similar lines to those of the Scottish Society—and, under the emblem of the Rose, engage in friendly rivalry with their brethren 'frae North o' the Tweed'. That it is rather too much for one section of the community to entertain all the other nationalities represented here year after year, and besides there are distressed 'Englishers' to relieve in Hongkong as well as hard-up Scotchmen. That the two Societies would work well together, and might arrange to give some form of entertainment alternately on their respective Saint's days; and in time we might even have the Shamrock represented, to complete the national Trinity. That the Press should take up the question of the sale and tenure of Crown lands, as there is but very slender hope of the matter being pressed forward in the Council. That somehow, whether justly or unjustly, the inconsistency which has hitherto been the chief feature of Government action in connection with land, has generally been credited to our able Surveyor General. That the circumstances of the sale of the old property of P. & O. Company should be fully inquired into by Government, and the result published, so as to quiet popular dissatisfaction. That the general impression is that Mr. Chatter acted in the matter like the shrewd, clever man that he is; that Mr. Price behaved like an innocent lamb, which he is not; and that the P. & O. Company acted inequally and dishonestly. That the Marine Landholders' scheme will be a very good thing for the land-holders, the Public Works Department, and the contractors; but that the lot-owners ought now to take steps to demonstrate how the project can be successfully carried through, in the public interest. That the Reclamation scheme will then receive the hearty support of the general body of ratepayers. That Mr. Chatter's exposition of the scheme, from his own point of view as a large lot-owner, was excellent, and he might now favour the public with his views from the standpoint of a representative of the J. P.s and the community, and a member of the Public Works Committee. That what you call the terse report of the Committee on Interpretation may be pithy enough and contain many useful reminders, but that it tells us nothing we did not know before. That on the principle of it being none the worse for a good story being twice told, the story of the Committee may have a good effect upon the new Governor. That our interpretation is a fairly good instance of 'how not to do it'; and that the total lack of supervision and organization in interpretation as well as in translation forms one of the weakest points of the administration of Justice in Hongkong. That the man who speaks of the Pu Lung Kuk detectives in the same breath as yamen-runners cannot know much about the subject on which he writes. That the Chinese Aid Society has at the present moment no more than one detective, and that he is under security for his good conduct; but that, over and above this, the evidence produced by this detective in the recent case was so implicitly believed by the Jury that the chief prisoner was convicted. That it would be unreasonable to expect every detective to be surrounded by a halo of saintliness, or to possess the face of a seraph. That there are sounds or whisperings in the air of another Fete for the Alice Memorial Hospital, to be held perhaps on the third day of the Jubilee Celebration. That, as no very brilliant hopes exist of a large surplus remaining after the Jubilee rejoicings are over, the idea of benefiting possibly the most deserving charity in this way is a very happy thought. That the Fete will, I hear, be managed principally by those who are engaged on the Jubilee Committee, from which circumstance I conclude that that body pre-eminently is to any other charitable institution here.

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That I am glad to see that a movement is likely to be made for the establishment of a Home for Buriall girls.

That, filling this much-buried space which the Jubilee Committee are not at all likely to produce, the promoters of this proposed Home have not perhaps chosen the best time for submitting it to the notice of the public.

over the traces: he flouts at regulations of all kinds and refuses to be tampered with by any laws human or divine; he makes a favour of carrying you to the Peak, and does so only on his own terms, having apparently no trouble in clearing away all opposition and any hope of more moderate fares. That it is a moot question whether all this is the result of united action on the part of the Guild, or is evolved from the innate depravity of each individual cooie.

That the cause of it is of little consequence to the public, but that the effect reveals a rapidly-growing evil which ought to be grappled with by the proper authorities. That here, however, a difficulty comes in—whether it is the business of the Police or of the Registrar General; but there is no doubt whatever that the cooies now have the ball at their feet, and can kick it well.

That the wild confusion which greets the visitors at the City Hall at the conclusion of a performance, when the 'carriages' block the way and ram each other in the most charming manner, has long been a grievance, over which one uses unparliamentary language at the time, but is apt to forget next morning.

That, at the same time, seeing that no difficulty should be experienced on the line expanded in front of the City Hall, the perfectly disinterested and unselfish remarks which 'Tam' makes on this subject in your morning contemporary strike me as charmingly refreshing.

That the noise of a rabble of chair-cooies outside the Hall on the occasions I speak of evidently grates on Tam's too sensitive ear—which is probably longer than that organ usually is, and he coolly proposes, with a jaunty sort of indication about the suggestion of 'loving your neighbour as yourself', that the noise and the rabble be both inflicted on the inhabitants of Beaconfield Arcade.

'Ah Tam, ah Tam, you'll get your fairin', etc. etc.

That if Rector's aim is to undo history, he may be congratulated on his success; for instance, did man ever receive worse treatment than the Sultan of Morocco has at his hand—first he is killed with internal disorders, then the internal disorders are transferred to his country, and finally the worthy Sultan is resurrected; so I suppose we shall learn in course of time that neither the Sultan nor his country were ever internally mor'd.

That if the historian of the future ever has occasion to refer to any records of Rector's messages that may survive, I do not envy him the muddle in which he will find himself.

That an English Fire Insurance Company influentially represented in Hongkong, whose report for 1886 is lately published, took £136,010 in foreign premiums and paid £135,044 in losses and expenditure, not including the general expenses of management; and that such a result does not seem to justify a course of action such as that recently inaugurated here.

That the Local Offices are directing such of their clients, whose business they don't want at the price, where to go to get cheap insurance, and are standing by with a smile to await events.

BROWNIE.

THE CHARGE AGAINST EX-PAYMASTER MARKHAM.

RESPONDER CONVICTED OF FORGERY.

The case of the Queen versus William Hogk Wolsley Markham, late Paymaster on H.M.S. *Porpoise*, came before Mr. A. J. Leach, Acting Judge, in the Supreme Court to-day, at an adjourned sitting of the monthly Criminal Sessions. The prisoner was charged with (1) feloniously forging a certain authority for the payment of \$5,000, with intent to defraud; (2) feloniously uttering a certain forged authority for the payment of \$5,000, with intent to defraud; and (3) feloniously obtaining from one Thomas Carroll Dempster, Paymaster in the Army Pay Department, certain securities for money, with intent to defraud.

Markham, who was not represented by Counsel, pleaded guilty to the charge. His Lordship (to the prisoner)—Guilty on all the counts.

Prisoner—Yes, my Lord.

On being asked if he had anything to say before sentence was passed, prisoner said he wished to call some witnesses as to his character.

The Acting Attorney General said he had no objection to this.

Prisoner then called Inspector Matheson of the Hongkong Police.

Prisoner (to witness)—Will you please state your experience of my conduct during the journey from Chicago to Hongkong?

Inspector Matheson—Prisoner was handed over to me at Chicago, and from that time we fell out we arrived in Hongkong he gave me no trouble whatever.

His Lordship—His behaviour has been uniformly good throughout?

Inspector Matheson—Very good, my Lord. Lieutenant Adams, commander of H.M.S. *Porpoise*, was next called.

Prisoner—How long have you known me in your official capacity as paymaster?

Lieut. Adams—Since I joined the ship, in March, 1885.

Prisoner—Will you please state what was my conduct as paymaster previous to 12th January, 1886?

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